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SUBJ: OPIUM AND GANJA FROM SRI LANKA SEIZED IN DENMARK AND SWEDEN

1. ACCORDING TO RECENT NEWSPAPER ARTICLES (BEING
POUCHED TO ADDRESSEES) AND R. SUNDERALINGAM, HEAD
OF SRI LANKA POLICE NARCOTICS BUREAU, A
SCANDINAVIAN CITIZEN WAS RECENTLY ARRESTED AND
SENTENCED TO TWO-YEARS IMPRISONMENT ON RETURNING
FROM SRI LANKA FOR POSSESSION OF 140 KILS
(300 POUNDS) OF OPIUM AND GANJA. SUNNDERALINGAM,
WHO IS TRYING TO OBTAIN NARE INFO FROM
INTERPOL, ADVISED EMBOFF JAN 23 THAT
TRAFFICKER WAS A DANISH CITIZEN ARRESTED BY
DANISH AUTHORITIES IN EARLY JANUARY. ONE
NEWSPAPER ALSO REPORTED THAT SEVERAL TOURISTS
RETURNING TO SWEDEN FROM CEYLON HAVE BEEN ARRESTED

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FOR POSSESSION OF OPIUM AND GANJA.

2. CAN YOU PROVIDE ANY CONFIRMATION AND DETAILS
OF THESE REPORTS? WHILE SRI LANKA NARCOTICS OFFICIALS
AND SOME INTERPOL OFFICERS HAVE PERIODICALLY
STATED THEY BELIEVE SRI LANKA IS A TRANSSHIPMENT
POINT FOR OPIUM SMUGGLED FROM INDIA, SUCH AN ARREST
AS DESCRIBED BY THE PAPERS (SOMETIMES UNRELIABLE) AND
SUNDERALINGAM WOULD BE THE FIRST SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE
THAT SIZEABLE AMOUNTS OF OPIUM ARE TRAFFICKED
THROUGH HERE.
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